

**AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS**

**LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

Claims 1-4 (Canceled)

5. (Previously Presented) A method of increasing skin firmness and elasticity, reducing lines and wrinkles of skin, improving age spots and clarity of skin, raising ability of skin or scalp to scavenge oxygen free radicals, raising ability of skin or scalp against UV-induced damage, treating aging of skin or scalp, preventing skin or scalp from aging, treating winter itch, or improving secretion of sebaceous and sweat glands comprising:

topically applying an effective amount of a composition consisting essentially of insulin, which can be natural, synthetic, recombinant, human or animal, to the skin or scalp.

Claim 6-8 (Canceled)

Claim 9 (Previously Presented): A method of treating aging of skin or scalp or preventing skin or scalp from aging comprising:

topically applying an effective amount of a composition consisting essentially of insulin, which can be natural, synthetic, recombinant, human or animal, to the skin or scalp.

Claim 10 (Previously Presented): The method of claim 5, wherein the composition consists essentially of at least 2 units of insulin, which can be natural, synthetic, recombinant, human or animal, per 100 g of composition.

Claim 11 (Previously Presented): The method of claim 10, wherein the composition is a solution or emulsion.

Claim 12 (Previously Presented): The method of claim 10, wherein the composition consists essentially of 2 to 20 units of insulin per 100 g of composition.


Claim 13 (Previously Presented): The method of claim 12, wherein the composition is a solution or emulsion.

Claim 14 (Previously Presented): The method of claim 9, wherein the composition consists essentially of at least 2 units of insulin, which can be natural, synthetic, recombinant, human or animal, per 100 g of composition, wherein the composition is a solution or emulsion.

Claim 15 (Canceled)

Claim 16 (Previously Presented) The method of claim 14, wherein the composition consists essentially of 2 to 20 units of insulin per 100 g of composition.

Claim 17 (Canceled)

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